

**PATENT APPLICATION**

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In re the Application of

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For: POWER OUTPUT APPARATUS AND METHOD OF CONTROLLING THE SAME

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
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Sir:

Prior to taking the above-identified application up for examination, please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please replace claims 3, 5, 8, 9, 14, 17 and 19 as follows:

3. (Amended) A power output apparatus [in accordance with claim 1,] for outputting power to a drive shaft, said power output apparatus comprising:

an engine having an output shaft;

a motor having a rotating shaft and inputting and outputting power to and from said rotating shaft;

three shaft-type power input/output means having three shafts respectively linking said engine and said drive shaft, said three shaft-type power input/output means